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SUBJ: REPORT ON BOAT REFUGEES IN THAILAND FOR
WEEK ENDING 26 MAY 1978

REF: A. STATE 054073 B. BANGKOK 14503

1. A. WEEKLY BOAT ARRIVALS: 143
B. CUMULATIVE ARRIVALS: 4964
C. WEEKLY NUMBER APPROVED BY INS, BIOS SENT TO ACVA: 0
D. CUMULATIVE NUMBER APPROVED BY INS, BIOS SENT TO
ACVA: 3922
CATEGORY I: 1229
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E. TOTAL APPROVED BY INS, SPONSORSHIP NOT YET RECEIVED: 791
F. TOTAL APPROVED BY INS, SPONSORSHIP NOT RECEIVED AFTER
2 MONTHS: 62
G. WEEKLY ASSURANCES RECEIVED ON APPROVED REFUGEES: 90
H. TOTAL ASSURANCES RECEIVED ON APPROVED REFUGEES IN
COUNTRY: 379
I. WEEKLY DEPARTURES FOR U.S.: 106

CATEGORY I: 13

KHMER: 60

J. CUMULATIVE DEPARTURES FOR U.S. 2752

CATEGORY I: 915

KHMER: 410

K. CUMULATIVE 3RD COUNTRY DEPARTURES, AS OF APRIL 30:

AUSTRALIA	903
BELGIUM	7
CANADA	41
DENMARK	26
FRANCE	227
GERMANY	7
NETHERLANDS	4
NEW ZEALAND	195
NORWAY	57
SWITZERLAND	92
UNITED KINGDOM	66
TOTAL	1625

L. POPULATION OF BOAT CAMPS: 1960

M. POPULATION OF BOAT CAMPS APPROVED BY INS: 1028

N. REMAINING POPULATION IN CAMPS WITHOUT U.S. RESETTLEMENT
OFFER: 932

O. OF WHOM FULLY DOCUMENTED AND READY FOR INS INTERVIEW: O

2. CE: THE PREVIOUS CE QUOTA OF 146 HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED, AND
ALL 146 REFUGEES ARE NOW IN THE UNITED STATES. HONG KONG 6208
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OF MAY 17 AUTHORIZED 21 NEW CE NUMBERS FOR 21 OF THE 91 REFUGEES
WHO ARRIVED IN THAILAND ABOARD THE INDIAN-REGISTERED VESSEL,
THE DAMODAR DR. ALBERT BLOCH.

3. THE BOAT CAMP POPULATION AS OF AUGUST 11 PLUS CUMULATIVE
ARRIVALS SINCE AUGUST 11 MINUS DEPARTURES FOR THE U.S. AND
THIRD COUNTRIES EXCEEDS THE PRESENT CAMP POPULATION BECAUSE CE
DEPARTURES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE DEPARTURE FIGURE. NOTE ALSO
THAT THIRD
COUNTRY DEPARTURE FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE ONLY MONTHLY,
WHILE FOR THE OTHER TWO VARIABLES WEEKLY FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE.
AS THE MONTH PROGRESSES, THE THIRD COUNTRY DEPARTURE FIGURES
LAG PROGRESSIVELY FARTHER BEHIND THE ACTUAL CAMP SITUATION.
FOR THESE TWO REASONS, COMPUTING THE CAMP POPULATION FIGURE
USING THE DATA SUPPLIED WILL NOT YIELD THE UNHCR CAMP POPULATION
FIGURE REPORTED WEEKLY.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT URGE ACVA TO EXPEDITE
SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE 21 CE REFUGEES. WE PROMISED THE RTG THAT
THEY WOULD LEAVE FOR THE UNITED STATES BY JUNE 26, NO LATER THAN
ONE MONTH FROM THEIR DATE OF DISEMBARKATION IN THAILAND. WE
CABLED VISA FALCONS MAY 19. BIO DATA CABLES WILL GO TO ACVA

MAY 31.
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